



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel

At its meeting held Wednesday, June 7, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

“On any given day in Los Angeles County, thousands of parents entrust their young children to various child care settings before proceeding to work, school, training or other activity. We know that these parents want what is best for their children. We know that the quality of care which young children receive in their earliest years impacts their brain development, with life-long implications for cognitive and emotional functioning. We also know that the quality of child care and development services in Los Angeles County – as in other parts of California and the Country – ranges from stellar to harmful.

“In response to these issues, the Policy Roundtable for Child Care has developed quality rating systems for family child care homes and child care centers serving children from birth through five years of age. These systems could provide parents with clear and concise information with which to compare child care options, as well as benchmarks to determine if the quality of local child care services is improving over time. Further, a public rating system could provide an incentive to child care operators to enhance the quality of their care.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Policy Roundtable for Child Care was requested to work with the Chief Administrative Officer and County Counsel and report back to the Board in 60 days with a detailed implementation plan to launch the Child Care Program Quality Rating System in Los Angeles County that includes:

- Rating instruments and procedures;

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- Potential partners, including but not limited to First 5 LA, the Departments of Children and Family Services and Public Social Services;
- Budget information for staffing and operations; and
- Potential resources to launch, sustain and evaluate the impact of the child care program quality rating system.

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Letter sent to:

Chairman, Policy Roundtable for Child Care

June 8, 2006

Mr. Majid Matt Seyedi-Rezvani, Chairman
Policy Roundtable for Child Care
222 South Hill Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. Seyedi-Rezvani:

At its meeting held June 7, 2006, on motion of Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors requested the Policy Roundtable for Child Care to work with the Chief Administrative Officer and County Counsel and report back to the Board within 60 days with a detailed implementation plan to launch the Child Care Program Quality Rating System in Los Angeles County, that includes:

- Rating instruments and procedures;
- Potential partners, including but not limited to First 5 LA, the Departments of Children and Family Services and Public Social Services;
- Budget information for staffing and operations; and
- Potential resources to launch, sustain and evaluate the impact of the child care program quality rating system.

For your information, enclosed is a copy of the Minute Order detailing this action.

Very truly yours,

SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Enclosure

c: Kathleen Malaske-Samu, Contact
Policy Roundtable on Child Care